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HOUSE RESOLUTION 13
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the players and coaches
of the 2000-2001 Memphis Police
Department/Memphis Housing Authority Flag
Football League Championship Team.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those organizations whose members give unreservedly of themselves in order to promote the public welfare and happiness and to positively influence the lives of our young people; and

WHEREAS, the Memphis Police Department and the Memphis Housing Authority are two such praiseworthy organizations; they have jointly sponsored a flag football league to keep Memphis youth on the right track through the discipline and teamwork that the sport requires; and

WHEREAS, the members of those two organizations, particularly those who have served as coaches of the respective teams, are deserving of public acclamation, as well as our personal thanks; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Warren, Michael Spearman, Proctor Wilson, Maurice Askew, Kenneth King, Phillip Cotton, and Charles Thomas have served as exemplary role models, while

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giving unselfishly of their time to instruct the youth of their community as coaches in the flag football league; and

WHEREAS, as a result, they led their Memphis Police Department and Memphis Housing Authority Flag Football League Team to a championship victory; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned coaches have positively influenced the vibrant young players with whom they have spent a great deal of time: Deadrick Ruffin, Timothy Ware, Michael Collier, Terrance Nevels, Derrick Humphey, Damion Dodson, Lester Poindexter, Darrius Harris, Liaubry Thomas, Christopher Woodland, Litterrien Fleming, Courtney Jackson, Stanley Crowder, Danny Elliott, Milton Jackson, Corderro Mosely, Justin Harris, Durrell Fason, Mario Daniels, Christopher Hill, Nick Harris, John Brooks, Demarcus Ward, Christopher Simmons, Calvin Evans, Marcus Evans, Willie Upchurch, Brian Crawford, and Michael Perkins; and

WHEREAS, community service is a commendable, noteworthy activity and altruism and volunteerism are two characteristics that are quite representative of the spirit of being a Tennessean; as stated by the inspirational author, William Arthur Ward, "Blessed is the person who sees the need, recognizes the responsibility, and actively becomes the answer"; we commend the members of the Memphis Police Department and the Memphis Housing Authority for seeing the need for guidance among the youth of their community and working to provide an answer; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and extol the players and coaches of the Memphis Police Department/Memphis Housing Authority Flag Football League Championship Team. We offer our heartfelt thanks to the adults who gave so freely of their time in order to lead the youth of Memphis in this worthwhile activity that fosters responsible behavior and good citizenship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.